Suggested Topics for Public Comment on Yucca Mountain RECLIVED

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- Please provide your views concerning whether the Yucca Mountain Preliminary Site Suitability Evaluation (PSSE) and other scientific documents produced by the Department provide an adequate basis for finding that the Yucca Mountain site is suitable for development of a repository. If you believe that certain aspects of the PSSE are inadequate, please detail the basis for this belief and indicate how the documentation might be made adequate with respect to these aspects.
- If the Secretary determines that the scientific analysis indicates that the Yucca Mountain site is likely to meet the applicable radiation protection standards established by the Environmental Protection Agency and Nuclear Regulatory Commission, do you believe that the Secretary should proceed to recommend the site to the President at this time? If not, please explain.
- Are there any reasons that you believe should prevent the President from concluding that the Yucca Mountain site is qualified for the preparation and submission of a construction license application to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission?
- If you believe that the Secretary should not proceed with a recommendation to develop a repository at Yucca Mountain, what mechanism should be utilized to meet the Department's legal obligation to begin accepting spent nuclear fuel and high level radioactive waste?
- If you believe that the Secretary should not proceed with a recommendation to develop a repository at Yucca Mountain, what measures should the Nation consider for assuring safe disposal of spent nuclear fuel and high level radioactive waste?
- Please provide any other comments concerning any relevant aspect of the Yucca Mountain site for use as a repository, or that are otherwise relevant to the consideration of a possible recommendation by the Secretary.

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Dear Sirs:

WHILE I'm not a nuclear scientist, I spent from 1953-1973 working with nuclear weapons and do have knowledge of the hazards: associated with nuclear material. After reading the Environmental Impact Statements of the Yucca Mtn Projecthave convinced me that this is the proper way to take care of the storage problem.

I do believe that the Secretary should proceed to recommend the site to the President. While it will surely bring the Senator from Nevada into the fighting mod, I would like to suggest an idea for your consideration. If the D.O.E. was to start a media (which in most cases are anti-nuclear)information blitz detailing the finnancial benifits that this project would mean to the state of Nevada, with emphasison length of time involved. I believe this would do much to bring on board those individuals who at the present time are the silent majority. These same folks could use some good news on jobs !

Sincerely (DONALD E. MILKÓY